

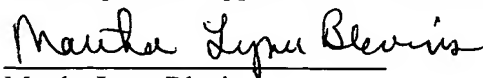
**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53**

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1. This is a request for the filing of a continuation.
2. Enclosed is a copy of the latest inventors' signed prior application, including the declaration as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the latest inventors' signed prior application Serial No. U.S. application 9/806,864 as originally filed on filed on July 9, 2001, and further that all statements made herein of their own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Type of claim	Number of claims	Number extra	Fee	Total
Total claims	10	0		0
Independent claims	3	0		0
Multiple claims	1	1	\$280.00	\$280.00
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4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2530. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
5. The prior application is assigned of record to Ashland Inc.
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